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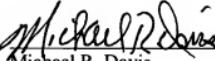
6. Comments:

The US '585 reference cited on the attached PTO-1449 form corresponds to the JP '235 reference cited on this form.

The Seino et al. and Tanaka references cited on the attached PTO-1449 form correspond to Technical Documents 1 and 2, respectively, referred to on page 4 of the specification.

Respectfully submitted,

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